UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO

NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OTHO

CHARDON J. BLACK,

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CASE NO. 1:17-CV-1751

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Petitioner,

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OPINION & ORDER [Resolving Docs.1, 9]

WARDEN BRIGHAM SLOAN,

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Respondent.

JAMES S. GWIN, UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE:

On August 21, 2017, Petitioner Chardon Black filed a habeas corpus petition under <u>28 U.S.C.</u> § 2254.¹ On May 24, 2018, Magistrate Judge Kathleen B. Burke recommended that the Court dismiss in part and deny in part Petitioner Black's petition.² Magistrate Judge Burke found that (1) Petitioner had withdrawn six of his grounds for relief; (2) the seventh ground failed on the merits; and (3) the eighth ground was not cognizable.³

Objections to Magistrate Judge Burke's Report and Recommendation (R&R) were due by June 7, 2018. Petitioner Black has not filed objections to the R&R.

The Federal Magistrates Act requires a district court to conduct a *de novo* review only of those portions of an R&R to which the parties have made an objection.⁴ Absent objection, a district court may adopt the R&R without review.⁵ Because no party has objected to the R&R, this Court may adopt the R&R without further review. Moreover, having conducted its own review of the petition and record, the Court agrees with the conclusions in the R&R.

⁴ 8 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1).

¹ Doc. <u>1</u>. Respondent opposed. Doc. <u>14</u>. Petitioner replied. Doc. <u>15</u>.

² Doc. 17.

³ *Id*.

⁵ Thomas v. Arn, 474 U.S. 140, 149 (1985).

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Accordingly, the Court **ADOPTS** Magistrate Judge Burke's R&R and incorporates it fully herein by reference. The Court **DISMISSES IN PART AND DENIES IN PART** Petitioner's habeas petition.⁶ Furthermore, no basis exists upon which to issue a certificate of appealability.⁷

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: June 25, 2018

James S. Gwin

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

⁶ The Court also **DISMISSES AS MOOT** Petitioner's motion that the Court review certain exhibits prior to ruling on Petitioner's objection to bail denial.

⁷ 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c); Fed. R. App. P. 22(b).